

### **County's Role as the Collaborative Applicant**

As outlined in the November 5, 2013 item to the Board, the County serves as the 'Collaborative Applicant' for the local Continuum of Care (CoC). As the Collaborative Applicant, the County carries out all HUD/CoC requirements on behalf of cities and non-profits to assure the continued receipt of approximately \$1.04 million in Federal CoC funds annually. The duties that the County carries out include:

- Establishing and operating a CoC governing body (HSOC)
- Designating and operating a Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)
- CoC Planning
- Monitoring all CoC funded programs for compliance
- Conducting environmental reviews for all CoC funded programs
- Preparing annual grant application
- Administering the grant agreements and writing annual progress reports
- Prepare and administer sub-recipient agreements
- Maintain fiscal controls for grant awards
- Comply with all CoC recordkeeping requirements

The County also performs similar administrative duties as required by other Federal grant programs (including Emergency Solutions Grants, Community Development Block Grants, and Home Investment Partnership funds) which provide an additional \$453,044 in funds annually.

Staff in various departments work together to carry out these responsibilities. The Planning and Building Department employs 2.8 FTE to administer the various Federal grant programs and manage the County's HMIS. A portion of those positions are paid for with grant administrative allocations, with the County subsidizing \$281,100 in staff costs on behalf of all grant sub-recipients. The Department of Social Services employs 1.5 FTE to provide staff support to the HSOC and coordinate Countywide efforts to address issues of homelessness. The County's cost for those positions is approximately \$145,555.

The Federal grants that the County receives for homeless services are allocated as follows:

<b>2014 Federal Grant Program Allocations</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG)	\$135,496	Federal	ESG funds are distributed to various homeless serving agencies for shelter, homeless prevention, data collection and rapid re-housing. 2014 allocations are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$31,977 to CAPSLO- Prado Day Center</li><li>• \$44,307 to CAPSLO- Maxine Lewis Memorial Shelter</li><li>• \$34,010 to LINK- Rapid Re-Housing</li><li>• \$12,466 to LINK- Homeless Prevention</li><li>• \$2,574 to LINK- HMIS Administration</li><li>• \$5,081 to various non-profits for Administration</li><li>• \$5,081 retained by County for Administration</li></ul>
Continuum of Care Program Grants (CoC)	\$1,045,079	Federal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$57,426 for CAPSLO's South County Permanent Housing program. \$53,856 is for direct services and \$3,570 is for CAPSLO's administrative costs.</li><li>• \$483,009 for SLO City Transitional Housing and Case Management. \$451,411 is distributed between CAPSLO and TMHA for direct services and \$31,598 stays with the City of SLO for program administration.</li><li>• \$50,777 for CAPSLO North County Permanent Housing. \$48,620 is for direct services and \$2,157 is for CAPSLO's administrative costs.</li><li>• \$215,422 for CAPSLO's South County Supportive Services. \$201,341 is for direct services and \$14,081 is for CAPSLO's administrative costs.</li></ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$177,285 for TMHA's North County Permanent Housing. \$166,333 is for direct services and \$10,952 is for TMHA's administrative costs.</li> <li>• \$61,160 retained by the County for HMIS administration on behalf of all CoC program recipients.</li> </ul>
Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	\$106,998	Federal	Distributed to CAPSLO for Prado Day Center and Maxine Lewis Memorial Shelter operations, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$32,100 to CAPSLO- Prado Day Center</li> <li>• \$74,898 to CAPSLO- Maxine Lewis Memorial Shelter</li> </ul> HUD regulations state that cities and counties can spend up to 15% of CDBG allocations on 'public services'. The County <u>elects to spend the full</u> 15% of its allocation on homeless services.
Home Investment Partnership (HOME)	\$210,550	Federal	HOME funds are for tenant based rental assistance provided through HASLO. The total amount includes \$135,549 for direct services from the 2013 allocation, and an additional \$75,001 from 2009 reallocated funds.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,498,123</b>		

#### **County's Discretionary Allocations to Homeless-Serving Programs**

Each year, the County allocates discretionary funds towards various homeless programs. Allocations for FY 2014-15 are as follows:

<b>FY 2014-15 Discretionary Allocations</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Community Development	\$202,500	General Fund	Funds are allocated to various homeless serving agencies, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$23,886 to CAPSLO- Prado Day Center</li> <li>• \$50,694 to CAPSLO- Maxine Lewis Memorial Shelter</li> <li>• \$7,500 to CAPSLO- Warming Stations</li> <li>• \$25,475 to El Camino Homeless Organization (ECHO)</li> <li>• \$11,275 to Transitional Food and Shelter</li> <li>• \$38,221 to RISE **</li> <li>• \$30,449 to Women's Shelter Program of SLO **</li> <li>• \$15,000 unallocated and available for requests that may arise mid-year</li> </ul>
Contributions to Outside Agencies	\$132,000	General Fund/ Tobacco Settlement	In FY 2014-15, the County will distribute over \$1 million to various community based organizations who provide a variety of needed services to the community. Many of the programs that the County funds are aimed at assisting low-income residents. In FY 2014-15, \$132,000 has been allocated to agencies/programs that only serve homeless clients. This is an increase of \$30,000 compared to FY 2013-14. FY 2014-15 allocations are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$15,000 to People's Self Help Housing</li> <li>• \$40,000 to Transitional Food and Shelter</li> <li>• \$35,000 to Women's Shelter Program of SLO**</li> <li>• \$7,000 to 5Cities Homeless Coalition</li> <li>• \$35,000 to ECHO</li> </ul>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 334,500</b>		<b>** HUD classifies domestic violence programs as homeless serving programs</b>

**Summary of FY 2014-15 Social Services/Health Agency Programs that serve homeless persons (not exclusively)**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Social Services</b>			
CalWORKs	\$ 25,288,138	123.50	Provides temporary cash assistance to needy families and welfare-to-work employment training programs. Participants are required to participate in certain activities to work toward self-sufficiency and are required to work a certain number of hours.
General Assistance	\$ 1,516,637	2.75	Provides public assistance of last resort to indigent county residents. It is for persons who are otherwise ineligible for Federal, State or other community aid programs.
Cal Fresh (Food Stamps)	\$ 9,601,097	63.00	Provides nutritional assistance to low-income households. The Department of Social Services is actively engaged in promoting outreach in the community to increase participation in the program.
WIA Programs (One Stop centers, etc.)	\$ 2,194,296	4.25	WIA programs are designed to provide quality employment and training services to assist eligible individuals in finding and qualifying for meaningful employment and to help employer find the skilled workers they need to complete and succeed in business. The department contracts with program service providers for the operation of the local One-Stop delivery system and program services for adults, dislocated workers and youth.
Medi-Cal (includes Affordable Care Act)	\$ 12,159,533	115.25	Provides comprehensive medical care benefits to all public assistance recipients and to certain other eligible persons who do not have sufficient funds to meet the costs of their medical care. The Department of Social Services determines program eligibility based upon the application of Federal and State regulations, which include the consideration of a person's age, physical or mental disability, other public assistance status, property and income.
<b>Total Social Services</b>	<b>\$ 50,759,701</b>	<b>308.75</b>	
<b>Health Agency</b>			
Behavioral Health- Mental Health/MHSA	\$ 45,891,324	190.75	Offers a full range of specialty mental health services provided by a culturally diverse network of community mental health programs, clinics and private psychiatrists, psychologists, and therapists.
Behavioral Health- Drug and Alcohol	\$ 9,315,639	73.00	Provides services to help people with drug and alcohol problems, including public walk-in clinics, prevention programs, youth and adult programs, and court-mandated programs.
Medically Indigent Services Program	\$ 2,531,938	5.75	Facilitates access to health care for eligible adults who are uninsured and cannot afford to pay for their medical care. The program includes administrative and accounting support for the Emergency Medical Services Program and Tobacco Settlement Funds including the distribution of these funds to hospitals and physicians for uncompensated medical care.
Emergency Medical Services	\$ 801,000	-	Provides payment for physicians, designated hospitals, and other providers of emergency medical care for uncompensated emergency room care.
Public Health- Family Health Services	\$ 8,881,480	69.25	Provides an array of preventative and direct health services and activities for all residents and particularly for special populations.
Public Health- Health Promotion	\$ 2,919,140	23.25	Provides Tobacco Control, Nutrition and Physical Activity (Obesity Prevention), the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Injury Prevention, and Oral Health Promotion.
<b>Total Health Agency</b>	<b>\$ 70,340,521</b>	<b>362.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL BOTH DEPARTMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 121,100,222</b>	<b>670.75</b>	